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Applicant : SUNDREHAGEN et al. Confirmation No: 4723
Appl. No. : 09/679,043
Filed : October 4, 2000
Title : COBALAMIN ASSAY

TC/A.U. : 1641
Examiner : L. Cook

Docket No.: SUND3005/REF
Customer No: 23364

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action of November 19, 2002, in connection with the above-identified application. A notice of appeal was timely filed on May 19, 2003 with an appropriate extension of time. The appeal brief was due on July 19, 2003. An interview was conducted with the Examiner to avoid the necessity of proceeding with the appeal, and the period for response for filing the brief has been extended to expire on September 19, 2003, by the filing herewith of a Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time and payment of the required fee.

A Request for Continued Examination is also submitted herewith.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks being on page 7 of this paper.